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State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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August 9, 1990

Mr. Lance Jackson Interstate Brick Company 9870 South 5200 West West Jordan, Utah 84088-5689

Dear Lance:

Re: <u>Permit Transfer, Interstate Brick, Big Cottonwood Mine M/035/003, Salt Lake County, Utah</u>

The Division has decided to deny the proposed transfer of the Big Cottonwood Mine, M/035/003 from Interstate Brick to City Development Corporation. It is our opinion that the intent of the statute's permit transfer process was for the transfer of a mine property from one mining entity to another mining entity. In the case of the Big Cottonwood Mine, it is obvious that the transferee does not intend to continue mining operations at the site.

Since the mine has been in a state of suspended operations for over 5 years, the Division requests that the operator reclaim the site to a condition suitable for the post-mining use of wildlife habitat. Reclamation would include regrading, ripping, revegetation, and mitigative measures to reduce the risk of damages to the existing housing development which would result from a slope failure associated with the mine site.

The exact mitigative measures to be taken are to be proposed by the operator and approved by the Division. A plan should be submitted addressing the specifics of such reclamation, which will be reviewed and approved by the Division. The operator will be released from any further reclamation responsibilities of the site when the Division is satisfied with the revegetation and stabilization of the site.

Pursuant to rule R613-005-101, the operator may appeal this decision to reclaim the minesite by appearing before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining. If you have any

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questions regarding this decision or procedures for the appeal process please contact me, Wayne Hedberg, or Marjie Anderson (appeals process).

Sincerely,

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Associate Director, Mining

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cc: Minerals Staff MNM035003.2